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A SOLDIER'S DREAM

By "Keskedee"

One night a soldier dreamed a dream
And dreaming, dreamed he died,
And straightway to the pearly gate
His sin-stained spirit fled.
And there before the saints he stood
With downcast head and low;
"My record's pretty bad he said,
I guess I'm bound below.
I've smoked a lot, and drunk a lot,
I've flirted too, and then besides
I've flouted how I've cussed,"
The good Saint Peter looked at him
With kindly smiling eyes,
"Don't shake his head," "Don't ask," he said
"A Mansion in the skies,
Now let me ask some questions:
Are you a soldier man?"
The soldier bowed, and then it was
The aged Saint began:
"You've gotten up at two A. M.
And started on the road
With all your baggage on your back,
'Twould make a mule a lead,
And too, you've missed some regular
meals
Ate hard back without meat,
You've hiked for miles along some road
With blisters on your feet,
You've missed a call or maybe two,
Been given a stiff blind;
Been told to dress up and get in step,
"Don't always be behind,"
You've spent some life with Uncle Sam
Just trying hard to be
What books and general orders think
A soldier ought to be.
With Captain, Sergeants, Corporals
You're in a constant stew,
And once a month you draw your pay,
"Now tell me in this line"
"It is," replied the soldier,
As he took his hat to go,
Hold on said good Saint Peter
As he opened portals wide
I'm very glad to see you sir,
Now kindly step inside,
We'll try to make you happy here
We'll do the best we can,
For you've served with the "Amexforce"
And you've been a soldier man."

PHYSICAL EFFICIENCY

The American people were astounded when recent reports proved to them that one out of every four young men in this country was physically unfit to bear arms, under the selective draft service examinations.

It is also more astounding when it is brought to our notice that out of the 25,000,000 school children in America, 15,000,000 are suffering from some physical defect which might be prevented or corrected. Of this 15,000,000 children it is estimated that at least 5,000,000 are suffering from malnutrition. This is a disease, which if allowed to grow, will become as dangerous as tuberculosis, but is much easier prevented. Such children may be recognized by the following symptoms: underweight, pale, anemic, inattentive, disinclined to run and play, easily fatigued, both mentally and physically, and are often retarded in their school work.

This condition is brought about by undernourishing and lack of proper diet. To eliminate as many cases of malnutrition and minor physical defects as possible, we will begin a course of instruction for the grades and the high school.

The work for the grades will be handled by Miss McFall, the school nurse, and will consist of instruction in personal and school hygiene, with instruction in the proper eating and the proper foods. In the high school, a course will be offered the next semester which will include, personal and public hygiene and sanitation. Instruction in this class will be given by Miss, McFall, Miss Barber and Mr. Wesson. Miss McFall will have charge of the instruction in personal hygiene and sanitation. Miss Barber, having had special training as dietitian, will give instruction in dietetics, and Mr. Wesson will handle the public hygiene and sanitation work. We feel that much good will be accomplished by these courses if the parents, and the people in general, will co-operate with us. If your child finds that by careful instruction that its diet has contained too much sweet and fat, help it make the change to other kinds of food. If it finds that its teeth are becoming faulty from lack of proper care, see that it gives that care to its teeth.

We hope, if the time is available, to give physical examinations to all the school children before the close of the school year. One of our local doctors has kindly consented to give his services to assist the school nurse in this work. The results in every case will be communicated to the parents, with suggestions as to the best methods for each specific defect.

It is just as essential, or even more so, that the child be physically fit as it is that it be mentally fit. It is impossible for a child suffering from physical ailment to get the greatest good from its school work.

It is our hope that we may correct as many of these physical defects as possible. This will be done through the advice of the school nurse, and where possible, by giving the proper physical exercise. Not having a gymnasium of our own, it is impossible to give each child personal instruction in corrective exercises.

I am sure that the parents of this community will appreciate this move for the physical betterment of our children and will help us to make our schools as nearly physically fit as possible. For when children are normal

Too many people look upon fire prevention as they do upon a savings account. Something to start tomorrow.

CRUEL TREATMENT OF SOLDIERS

ASTONISHING instances of military injustice in the United States Army during the war were revealed to the senate's military affairs committee recently by Brig. Gen. Samuel T. Ansell, who has been acting judge advocate general. Here are some things that happened in the United States army.

General Ansell told the committee: "A soldier who entered the army on October 23, was detailed to kitchen duty on November 23, less than a month from the time he began his military service. He had a row with a Lieutenant over smoking a cigarette, and the soldier told the officer 'to go to hell.' The soldier got forty days imprisonment.

A soldier who had in his possession unlawfully a pass got a dishonorable discharge and ten years at hard labor.

A soldier who refused to drill because of an exposure he had suffered the day before, went to prison for 40 years.

A soldier went home to see his father die, returned voluntarily to his company, and was sentenced to death for desertion. He never took off his uniform while away and made no attempt to hide.

The officers were not committed in the war zones. General Ansell told the committee, and the kids were mere boys who had seldom been away from home.

Needless to say the senate committee was shocked, as usual the "shocking" comes after and not before the deplorable incidents.

Soldiers were sentenced to death in France because, after nights of exposure they went to sleep.

Some of these men, incidents of whose sentences are given above, were the recipients of pardons from President Wilson. However, not all military sentences are open to review by the president. The army itself is inflexible. The middle ages direct its policy in the matter of punishments.

Compare the treatment of these soldiers with the conscientious objectors, says Secretary Baker, sent back out into the world and with flowers in their button-holes, well-fed and clothed.

No court martial for them. No heavy eyes after days and nights in the sewer like trenches, to close down in sleep in spite of themselves.

No. Honorable discharges and good clothing and a pat on the back for the conscientious objector, while the soldier whose flesh finally succumbs to the ordeal of being a soldier goes to lifelong imprisonment or an ignominious death.

Is it any wonder that the American people execrate Baker.

GOODING COLLEGE TO INAUGURATE NEW PRESIDENT

The inauguration of President Charles Wesley Tenney of Gooding College will take place March 31. The committee on arrangements includes Secretary J. Wesley Miller, Reverend A. C. Evans, Superintendent J. E. Fisher, Mrs. John Thomas and Mrs. W. J. Douglass.

President Edward H. Todd of the College of Puget Sound will be the principal speaker and many other leading educators will represent their respective institutions. Among the other prominent people of the northwest who will have a part in the program will be Hon. Frank R. Gooding, Gov. Davis, President C. H. White, Mayor J. Thomas, Dr. J. D. Gillilan, Vice President E. C. S. Brainard, Superintendent Ir. B. Aldrich and Superintendent Wm. H. Ewing.

Practical Education for Christian Manhood and Womanhood, will be the theme for the day, and the strategic position of Gooding College which is located right in the heart of the great empire between Green River, Wyoming and La Grande, Oregon. With no competing college within 100 miles of it, will be emphasized with the slogan: "Gooding, our youngest school. Watch it grow, help it grow and you grow too by what you do."

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

"The Camouflage of Shirley" is the name of the play which has been selected by the Junior Class of the Shoshone High School for presentation on March 14. This play which is an enlightening farce comedy in three acts is based on a vital situation of the World War. Miss Sanderson who is directing the play is optimistic regarding the outcome.

WILLARD FIELDS RETURNS.

Willard Fields returned Saturday from a four week visit east. His first stop was at Marion Neb, where he has a daughter living whom he has not seen before for fifteen years. He found a three year old granddaughter there and he thinks it a conservative estimate when he places her value at one million dollars. He next went to Fremont, Neb., to visit with an aged aunt living there. She is his only living relative on his mother's side of the house. He found her one of the sprightliest old ladies he ever met. Said she could walk and out run him in an even start.

From Fremont Mr. Fields went down through southern Kansas and into Oklahoma and reports that they have the finest wheat there he ever saw.

On his way back to Marion Neb, he was snow bound at Republican City, sixty miles from the end of his journey and was detained there four days by the storm and then had to take a round about route and finish the trip in an auto.

The worry and rest and other enjoyable connected with the trip added about 15 pounds to his weight, as the trip cost about \$150 he figures that extra fat cost him ten dollars a pound. On his return home he was agreeably surprised to find a visitor from Berkeley California, his step mother whom he had not seen for several years.

Some people are likely to think that it was not until the war ended that they came to know the real meaning of trouble.

In all probability the Grand mother of the Russian Revolution doesn't take much pride in telling of the pranks of that child.

Some European socialists prefer Lenin to Wilson which is natural. But then there is no accounting for tastes of that kind.

PLAGUE OF PANACEAS

FORN EDITORIAL says: "For example, Mr. Roylance, ne leagues 'tax expert' hired to come here and impose confiscatory taxation on the state, calmly admits that city houses, which are rented will have no exemption, but will be assessed to the full 100 per cent of their value. Remember Mr. Workingman that all improvements on a farm are exempt, entirely from taxation. A farmer may have \$50,000 worth of houses and barns and not pay a nickel in taxes on them. But if you live in a rented shack that costs \$1,000 or as low as \$200, it will be assessed to its full value and you will pay taxes on every dollar of it thru higher rents. The landlord isn't going to pay the added taxes. He will pass them on to you in increased rents. If you are lucky enough to own your own home and live in it, it will be exempt, if it isn't worth more than \$2,500 and less than \$5,500 you pay taxes on the excess all over \$3,500, but if you were so extravagant as to spend \$4,000 for a home for yourself and family you will be taxed on every dollar of it at a 100 valuation. "Does it sound unbelievable? Each word of it is true. If you doubt it, study the bill itself. What do you get for all this? Well you get a state bank which will peacefully and quickly separate the state from the \$30,000,000 school fund that was given the state in trust by the United States government to educate your children."

This is the same outfit of Carpet baggers that tried to invade Idaho and this state. It appears that Governor Burquett has reason for his classification. But what else could be expected? In North Dakota they are waging a class fight, attempting to exploit all persons who not engaged in farming for the benefit of the farmers. When the members of any class, society, or organization, put that class ahead of the United States and claim to be as something else other than Americans, first, then they are hitting at America.

Those who do not bear in mind the immortal words of Abraham Lincoln that this is a country with a "government of the people, by the people, and for the people," are striking at the ideals and institutions of America. It is the duty of all true Americans to see that every such movement fails.

—Wallace-Press-Times

COMITTEE REORGANIZED

A meeting was held at the Shoshone Club rooms Tuesday evening by the members of the Republican county committee to re-organize since the division of the county reduced the number of precincts. Dr. C. F. Zeller, having removed to Jerome, tendered his resignation and Archie Bowler was elected committeeman from Shoshone and also permanent chairman in place of Dr. Zeller. Owen Youngkin was elected from Richfield in place of W. S. Parkhurst. A delegation of Richfield citizens present requested the committee to endorse T. B. Brush as candidate for appointment by the Governor to fill the vacancy on the board of county commissioners made vacant by reason of Anders Anderson, the Chairman, being removed from the county in the formation of Jerome county. The committee complied with the request and the recommendation was forwarded to Hon. A. I. McMahon with instructions to present it to Gov. Davis.

NONPARTISANS IN ACTION

Inasmuch as Governor Burquett, of Minnesota has classified the nonpartisan league along with the I. W. W. and the socialists and branded the three movements as dangerous to America and its government it is interesting to note what is happening in North Dakota where the league is in control of state affairs. The league dominates the legislature, has elected its governor and league candidates were elected as judges on the supreme bench. The first thing that those judges do is to announce that those legislators who do not vote "right" on the league program must leave the state. In order that there may be no misunderstanding the league officials paper issues a warning to the lawmakers who might be tempted to rebel, saying: "Let him prepare to leave. North Dakota. Let him lay his plans to move into some remote territory. North Dakota will be too hot for him. He will be remembered as the Judas of the farmers movement. And if he has children, let him reflect that he will betray them, too—that his treachery will mean their name is forever disgraced."

As for the "economy of the league a tax levy of \$35,000,000 a year or 400 percent increase with a \$17,000,000 debt on top of it, is the program according to the Globe-Gazette of Wahpeton, North Dakota. This means a \$50 tax for every man, woman and child in the state says the same authority. A rather neat burden for these war times.

It is also interesting to note how the league proposes to help its members at the expense of the working people and those who live in cities and towns. Homes of the workers and rented houses are to be "soaked" and the people who live in the cities will get the "jolt".

In commenting on this the Fargo

BIG WOOD RIVER NEWS

Don't forget that next Monday the 4th is election day.

Mrs. Arthur Scott is working in town at present.

Mrs. Ryan called on Mrs. Burdett and Mrs. Mills Wednesday afternoon.

L. A. Dennison came in from Michigan Tuesday. Mrs. Dennison will visit in Michigan awhile longer before returning to Shoshone.

Mrs. Cleveland is working for Mrs. Glenske at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lewis rejoice over the arrival of an eight pound baby boy delivered by the Stork Oct. 23rd.

Chas. Cleveland has been on the sick list for the past week.

Only Eslinger lost a few feathers Tuesday by running against a post and breaking his neck.

Mrs. J. L. Horne and Mrs. D. P. called on Mrs. Sam Lewis Tuesday and viewed the new boy.

S. H. Ryan received a telegram from his brother Tanner Monday saying he was on his way east so Mr. Ryan and family went in to meet the train. However it did not arrive until 5:30 Tuesday morning. They report Tanner as in the very best of spirits, likes camp life fine and has gained 15 lbs. since Sept. 3rd.

Mrs. A. M. Gomes has returned from Calif. where she has been for the past three weeks visiting relatives and friends also her son Earnest.

Sam Lewis is the proud possessor of a new Laico car.

Harry Otis came in from Boise Sunday to visit his family and take charge of the Cleveland ranch. Harrison Ryan and family spent Sunday last with Lester Cox and wife.

Miss Elizabeth McMasters is staying with her sister Mrs. Furniss at present.

Jack Munsion and Lulu Lewis spent Sunday evening at the Ryan home.

Mrs. Arthur Horn is quite ill at her home.

Mrs. C. B. Sparks spent Sunday with her husband at Thorn Creek.

Bob Hewitt, L. A. Dennison and J. A. Mills attended a sale at Gooding Sat.

Mrs. Chas. Baker was on the sick list a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Baker were in town Monday.

No Big Wood River News on account of the writer assisting in the flu epidemic.

Nadine the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burdette has been very sick lately.

Carnie Cox is working for his brother Lester at the pumpkin ranch at present.

Mr. Roessler the well drill man is at Mr. Geiske's at present repairing his well.

Mrs. Harrison Ryan was visiting Mrs. Lester Cox last week while she was entertaining the flu.

Mrs. Sparks and Dennison each have been nursing a very sore finger of late, caused by a felon.

The family of Chas. Cleveland writes that they like Calif. fine and that the flowers and fruits are great.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Jones and Harry Jones and children spent Saturday evening at the J. A. Mill's home.

The family of Joe Silva are all improving. Mrs. Silva had a very narrow escape from death caused by the flu.

Harvey Burgess, from the Zeigler ranch on the North Shoshone tract, was transacting business in Shoshone Saturday.

The many friends of Mrs. Chas. Furniss will be pleased to know that Mrs. Furniss is able to be up some now after a terrible fight with the pneumonia followed by the flu.

Bob Hewitt, wife and children, Loyd and Margaret who have been visiting in Michigan and South Carolina the past five months came in the 14th satisfied with Idaho.

It certainly takes nerve for a visitor uninvited the first instant, to make a second visit without an invitation. Yet this is what the flu is doing through the country.

The family of L. F. Geiske's are all able to be up again after a severe siege of the flu. Little Margaret and Baby Elizabeth were dangerously sick.

Mrs. Gomes and Mrs. Ryan have been very busy the past five or six weeks helping with the flu and so far, neither of them have had it.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Ryan attended a dance at Will Kade's Friday night. Mr. Kade's new house is almost completed.

Mrs. Adams a nurse from Gooding who has been nursing at the Geiske home, returned to Gooding Wednesday.

DIETRICH

Loyal H. Shellman, one of the youngest of our soldier boys, arrived at his home here last Sunday night. At the age of 18 he enlisted at a Weiser and was assigned to the second Idaho July 25, 1917 and went into training at Camp Greene, N. C., removed to Camp Mills, N. Y., and thence to Camp Merritt, N. J., arriving in France January 5, a year ago. In the fighting about Cantigny he was gassed and wounded. He and four companions took to a shell hole, instead of the trench, while resisting a counter attack and Shellman, alone, came out with his life, though badly wounded. His experience since that fateful day in May has been in French and American hospitals. Recovered from his wounds he comes home a MAN, instead of the boy who went away, wearing with pride the French citation cord for bravery.

On Tuesday, March 11, the people of Dietrich precinct will give a reception to our returning soldiers, in the auditorium of the high school building. Orations, music and a bountiful supply of refreshments are on the program.

Fred Bacon has returned from a somewhat protracted visit to Rock Creek on a business.

Wilbur Eden and E. C. Young were recent visitors at Ban Hart's, enjoying the excellent music furnished by Mrs. Hart's records.

Anton Christensen, a farm owner of this precinct, died recently, on the coast from an attack of flu.

Samuel Norrb and family have returned from Puenteillo, where Mr. Norrb has been engaged in the car show. The family will occupy the Mosley farm, formerly known as the Fred Miller place.

B. F. Snodgrass is starting to collect a dairy of high class stock, starting with the purchase of a hundred dollar cow from Ira Towne.

Cattle buyers have been looking for fat stock through the tract. They made some purchases from J. J. Turner and S. A. Bate, Jr.

Frank Scheithing is home from Camp Lewis, and is getting ready for farm operations on his recently purchased farm. Mr. Scheithing was a corporal in the field artillery corps.

J. R. Smith is able to be about again after an 8 days wrestle with the flu.

The rabbit drive at Peter Andrew's place last Sunday resulted in the destruction of about 1500 of the pests.

Miss Kate Welsh is helping Mrs. W. C. Dooley in house keeping and attending to the little child of Church Smith.

Frank Heeley, of Twin Falls, was a visitor here this week looking after his landed interests here.

E. E. Joyce, of Leslie, Idaho, was here Wednesday negotiating with J. A. Bailey on a trade for the Bailey farm.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bailey were visitors a week ago at Blackfoot, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. George Saviers are to be guests of their folks in Shoshone over Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Clark was appointed a delegate from Idaho, to attend the Peace Conference at Salt Lake, but was unable to attend.

Ollie Bate, mentioned last week as with his ship about Philadelphia, is now on his way to Sweden, the ship carrying a cargo of provisions for hungry Europe.

This startling and peculiarly sorrowful message to F. W. Zimmerman, was received Thursday morning from the Adjutant General: "We deeply regret to inform you that it is officially reported that Sergeant Garrett B. Zimmerman, of machine gun battalion, previously reported wounded, in action, about September 29, is now reported killed in action same date. (signed) Harris, Adjutant General." This is the final. For five months the parents of this worthy soldier have been making every effort to learn the particulars, even calling to their help the work of the Red Cross, but all in vain. It is passing strange that such things can be.

There is a fully ought to be good crops of all kinds in Lincoln Co. this year, if snow has anything to do with it.

Mrs. J. A. Mills and daughter Dorothy Mrs. Robt. Hewitt and children, Loyd and Margaret, Mrs. Earl Burdett and children, Bernard and Nadine and Mrs. L. A. Dennison spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Ryan and children.

R. E. Mickelwait, A. L. Fletcher, Owen Youngkin, T. B. Brush, Geo. F. Gorow and H. N. Goodf all of Richfield were transacting business in Shoshone Tuesday, returning on the morning train Wednesday.

L. A. Dennison and wife, gave a dinner last Sun. in honor of Robt. Hewitt and family. There were so many present that it is doubtful if the writer could name them all. However, every one felt that they had done justice to many good things to eat.